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BLOCK, AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

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Sir:

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1. PCT International Application No. PCT/GB80/00072, filed April 28, 1980 International Publication No. WO 80/02427, published November 13, 1980 (**Exhibit 1**);
2. Japanese Publication No. 57-31976, published February 20, 1982 (**Exhibit 2**);
3. Japanese Publication No. 57-102978, published June 26, 1982 (**Exhibit 3**);
4. Japanese Publication No. 3-68677, published March 21, 1991 (**Exhibit 4**);
5. Japanese Publication No. 5-8211 B2, published February 1,

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- 1993 (**Exhibit 5**);
6. Japanese Publication No. 7-109369, published April 25, 1995 (**Exhibit 6**);
 7. Japanese Publication No. 7-109370, published April 25, 1995 (**Exhibit 7**);
 8. Japanese Publication No. 7-188644, published July 25, 1995 (**Exhibit 8**);
 9. Japanese Publication No. 8-59776, published March 5, 1996 (**Exhibit 9**);
 10. Japanese Publication No. 8-92404, published April 9, 1996 (**Exhibit 10**);
 11. Japanese Publication No. 9-53061, published February 25, 1997 (**Exhibit 11**);
 12. Japanese Publication No. 10-25327, published January 27, 1998 (**Exhibit 12**); and
 13. International Preliminary Examination Report and English translation thereof in connection with PCT International Application No. PCT/JP02/00891, filed February 4, 2002 (**Exhibit 13**).

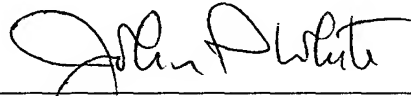
The above references 1-12 were cited in a search report issued in connection with the international priority of the subject application. A copy of the search report is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

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